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SUBJECT: REQUEST LEAHY AMENDMENT HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING

11. (SBU) ACTION REQUEST: As required by the Departments of State and Defense Leahy Amendments, Embassy requests that Washington conduct soonest the required human rights review of the below listed Panamanian Public Force person(s) and/or unit(s) and that State Department transmit the results to Embassy and U.S. Southern Command.

National Police (PNP), East Metropolitan Zone, Daniel Samuel Lopez, 27 December 1964, 8-237-87.

National Police (PNP), Arraijan Police Zone, Guillermo Antonio Valdez Zamora, 11 November 1965, 8-243-409.

National Police (PNP), Riverine Unit (Unidad de Mantenimiento y Operaciones Fluviales (UMOF)), Cristian Enrique Hayer Alvarado, 15 November 1964, 8-232-779.

National Police (PNP), Director's Chief of Security (Jefe de la Escolta del Director), Javier Anibal Castillo Morales, 25 April 1963, 8-226-2415.

National Police (PNP), Darien Kuna Yala (DARKUN), Victor Alexis Olmedo Vernanza, 28 July 1966, 8-266-97.

National Police (PNP), Center of Superior Education, Training Directorate (Centro de Ensenanza Superior, Direccion Docencia), Eliseo Aguirre Quintero, 24 October 1965, 8-243-394.

National Police (PNP), Director of Human Resources (Director de Recursos Humanos), Demostenes Alberto Batista Samudio, 30 April 1965, 4-148-379.

National Police (PNP), Chief of Riot Control Unit (Jefe de la Unidad de Control de Multitudes), Frank Alexis Abrego, 16 January 1963, 8-236-1213.

National Police (PNP), Chief of Chiriqui Police Zone (Jefe de la Zona de Policia de Chiriqui), Luciano Franco Gomez, 26 June 1962, 4-138-2170.

National Police (PNP), Planning Directorate (Direccion de Planeamiento), Diana Elisa Aponte de Munoz, 31 March 1961, 8-227-220.

National Police (PNP), Chief of Metropolitan Police Zone (Jefe de la Zona de Policia Metropolitana), Roberto Antonio Joudry Montero, 18 January 1962, 8-260-1214.

National Police (PNP), Chief of Colon Police Zone (Jefe de la Zona de Policia de Colon), Humberto Brid Bocanegra, 6 October 1963, 8-260-1014.

National Police (PNP), Directorate of Transit Operations (Direccion de Operaciones de Transito), Berardo Garcia Pitti, 24 December 1961, 8-225-1608.

National Air Service (SAN), Intelligence, Luis Eduardo Ruiz Estribi, 17 December 1965, 8-305-05.

National Air Service (SAN), Pilot, Hever Antonio Guerra Martinez, 2 March 1965, PE-10-255.

National Air Service (SAN), Helicopter Squadron, Bolivar Heberto Pena Rodriguez, 25 September 1976, 4-702-157.

Institutional Protective Service (SPI), Presidential Guard, Mario Ramos Ocana, 28 June 1958, 6-50-716.

12. (U) Embassy is currently conducting its own review and has thus far found no credible information that the aforementioned person(s)/unit(s) has been involved in gross human rights violations. Embassy thanks the Department in advance for its timely consideration of the response to this matter.

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